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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Group: 3733

Serial No. 10/706,922

Examiner: J. Swiger

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For: SURGICAL INTRAMEDULLARY IMPLANT WITH IMPROVED LOCKING
FOR FIXATION OF FRACTURED BONE SEGMENTS

**PETITION TO REVIVE PATENT APPLICATION UNDER
37 CFR 1.137(b) DUE TO UNINTENTIONAL DELAY**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 5, 2006

Sir:

The Issue and Publication Fees were paid in the above-identified application on February 28, 2006, in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed December 1, 2005. However, the above-identified application became abandoned due to failure to submit corrected drawings, required in the Notice of Allowability. Notification of abandonment was mailed to the offices of the undersigned in the Communication mailed April 10, 2006.

This application became abandoned because the failure to submit the corrected drawings was unintentional. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date until the filing of this Petition was unintentional. See 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3).

The necessary response (that is, the corrected drawings) is attached.
Also attached is the necessary fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m).

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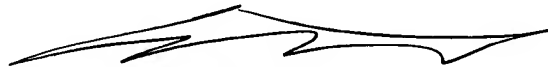
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In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been satisfied for revival of the above-identified application. Accordingly, revival of the above-identified application and entry of the enclosed corrected drawings, and issuance of a U.S. Patent based upon the above-identified application in due course, are respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 1228.42848X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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